



United States District Court
Eastern District of Missouri
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Ms. Joan Voelker
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Dear Joan

I apologize for not reporting timely. The Eastern District Historical Society has been busy this year. I submit the following report.

REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI

The following sub-committees met on the dates set forth below. Members of each sub-committee are listed. Minutes of each meeting are available upon request.

1. Video Interviews with Senior Judges

Stephen G. Strauss is chair of this subcommittee. A questionnaire has been prepared for submission to each senior and retired judge. After appropriate research has been completed, a professional quality video will be produced for each qualified judge. Selected text will be available for interactive use in the learning center. The full videos will be available for other uses.

Subcommittee members: Stephen G. Strauss; Henry J. Mohrman, Jr.; Brent Janes; Murray Marks; Lawrence Grebel; Joe Conran; Brian McCarthy; Albert Watkins; Tom Albus; Brad Dede; and Richard Schwartz

Meeting dates: December 3, 2003 and March 31, 2004

2. Publication of Book on History

Kathi Chestnut is chair of this sub-committee. This subcommittee plans to authorize an author to write a book on the history of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri. The Subcommittee is considering the audience for the book as well as a publisher. Potential authors have been contacted.

Subcommittee members: Kathi Chestnut, Eric Butts, Joe Swift, Peter Dunne, Michael Jones, Nicholas Franke, Jerald Hochsztein, Bernard Barken, Jason Shackelford, Kevin Wayman, Leo Nelsen, Mike Moroni, Douglas Brockhouse, Roger Rea, Sandy Boxerman, and Vanessa Keith

Meeting dates: February 18, 2004 and April 24, 2004

3. Notable Cases

Christi Fingal is chair of this committee. The subcommittee has decided to feature twenty of the most significant cases generated in the Eastern District. Considerable research has been undertaken. The work will feature the impact of the case, the role of the attorneys, as well as careers affected by the litigation.

Subcommittee members: Christi Fingal, Vanessa Keith, Joe Conran, John Munich, Jerald Hochsztein, Veryl Riddle, and Michael Jones

Meeting dates: April 22, 2004

4. Education Center at Eagleton Courthouse

Judge Edward L. Filippine is chair of this subcommittee and M. Graham Dobbs is vice-chair. This subcommittee will be working closely with the other subcommittees currently working on the design and potential construction of the Learning Center facilities.

Subcommittee members: Judge Edward L. Filippine; M. Graham Dobbs; Bridget Hoy; Eric Butts; Henry J. Mohrman, Jr.; John Goffstein; Lawrence Grebel; James Dowd; John Munich; Paul Brown; and Richard Schwartz

5. Architecture of Courthouses

Vanessa Keith is chair of this subcommittee. This subcommittee shall compile information for use by the Publication of Book on History subcommittee and the Education Center subcommittee.

Subcommittee members: Vanessa Keith, Doug Brockhouse, Robert Smith and Christi Fingal

6. Famous Personalities

Joseph P. Conran is chair of this subcommittee. This subcommittee shall compile information for use by the Publication of Book on History subcommittee and the Education Center subcommittee.

Subcommittee members: Joseph P. Conran, Michael Moroni, George Lubberda, and Francis Duda.

The Fiscal Year 2004 financial report for the Eastern District of Missouri Historical Society reflects a balance of \$1,735.27.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "E. Richard Webber". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Judge E. Richard Webber
Secretary to the Subcommittees